

3. And whereas the United States in Congress assembled, have, by their Act of the thirteenth of September last, stipulated the terms on which they agree to accept the cession of this State, should the Legislature approve thereof, which terms, although they do not come fully up to the propositions of this Commonwealth, are to conceive of this state to accept thereof, in full mearris to them, as to induce this state to accept thereof, in full general cession she hath made, earnestly press upon the other States claiming large tracts of waste and unoccupied territory,

2. And whereas this Commonwealth did, on the second day of January, in the year one thousand seven hundred and eighty-four, cede to the Congress of the United States, for the benefit of the said States, all right, title, and claim, which the said Commonwealth had to the territory North-west of the river Ohio, subject to the conditions annexed to the said act of

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We desire to authorize the delegates of this State in Congress, to convene at the earliest practicable time, in the City of Columbus, to consider the Constitution of the United States in Congress assembled, all the benefits of this Government, to the Territories of the Northwest, North West -

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